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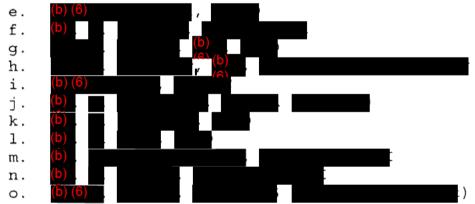
Encl: (1) NRSC Meeting Agenda

(2) NRMP Action and Inspection Summaries

(3) RADCON Data Ship Status Report, 04 October 2011

1. The NRSC convened at 1100 on 07 October 2011, to discuss the agenda items listed in enclosure (1). The following individuals attended:

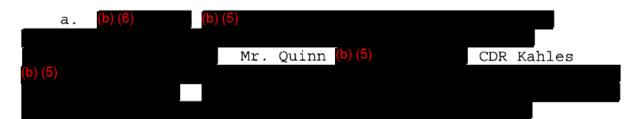
- a. RADM P. Cullom, Chairman(closing remarks)
- b. Mr. J. Quinn, Deputy Director, N45(acting Chairman)
- c. CAPT D. Davis-Urgo, Executive Secretary, NRSC
- d. CAPT L. Benevides, NAVSEA (SEA 04N)



2. Mr. Quinn opened the meeting and welcomed the committee members to the NRSC Meeting for the third quarter of 2011. He discussed current ongoing improvement items designed to reduce risk in the program. He acknowledged the dedication and teamwork necessary to: 1) update the 20 year old Radiological Affairs Support Program (RASP) Manual, 2) perform the necessary corrective actions in response to the NRC Biennial Inspection, 3) continue the process of terminating permits and disposing of unused radioactive material and 4) continue with additional RASP Manual revisions expected in calendar year 2012.

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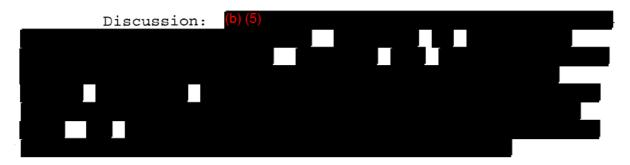
- 3. There were no items that were carried forward from the previous NRSC meeting in July 2011.
- 4. The outgoing correspondence to the NRC during the past quarter consisted of:
- a. A request that the NRC remove the NRSC SOP from the MML "tie down" requirement. This will allow updates to the SOP without requiring updates to the MML.
- b. An update of the status of the placement of the Inflight Blade Inspection System (IBIS) units onto the MML, and a plan for removing the generally licensed labels and replacing them with specifically licensed labels.
- c. A request that the NRC place depleted uranium shielding (located at NSWC, Indian Head) under generally licensed registration. This will then negate the need for a permit.
- d. Two responses to the NRC notices of violation received for the MML Biennial Inspection and the SPAWAR Inspection.
- 5. The incoming correspondence from the NRC consisted of the NRC responses to the Navy responses noted in 4 (d). The NRC accepted the corrective actions provided for those items that were acknowledged as violations. The NRC continues to adjudicate the two violations that the Navy refuted.
- and (b)(6) discussed the performance metrics associated with Naval Radioactive Materials Permit (NRMP) inspections and actions. These actions and inspection summaries are attached in enclosure (2).



b. (6) (6) discussed the termination of the permit at Naval Research Unit in Cairo, Egypt. He explained that the removal of the sources and the termination process were not hindered by the political events in Egypt earlier this year.

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- 7. CAPT Benevides discussed recent issues related to the Radiological Affairs Support Program.
 - a. Topic: Ongoing Fukashima Issues



Conclusion: Open

b. Topic: Recent Proposed Program Improvements

Discussion: The hiring of RASO personnel is complete, and all are expected to be on board in calendar year 2011.

Conclusion: Open

c. Topic: RAD-10 Manual Update

Discussion: The next revision of the RASP Manual is scheduled to be ready for external review by 31 January 2012.

Conclusion: Open

8. The NRC comments noted that: 1) NUREG 1556 Vol. 10 (MML Program) is in the renewal process and feedback on this regulation is requested, 2) It would be helpful to document contamination surveys (if applicable) in the reporting of the loss of generally licensed devices, 3) The NRC would like the status of the decommissioning plans for NSWC, Dahlgren and Naval Research Laboratory, Chesapeake Beach Detachment. The status of these decommissioning plans was provided at the end of the meeting. 4) The NRC looks forward to the November meeting between the managers of NRC, Region I and OPNAV N45. Any high level topics for discussion would be greatly appreciated.

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- 9. Mr. Quinn again thanked the NRSC members for their participation and he stated that he and RADM Cullom looked forward to the meeting with Region I, NRC management in November.
- 10. RADM Cullom provided some further closing remarks. He voiced the extreme importance of the Navy Master Material License Program, and he stated that the NRSC remains committed to ensuring a safe program.

11. The meeting adjourned at 1150 and the next meeting is expected to convene in December 2011.

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Welcome Remarks from the Chairman (5 min)

RADM Cullom

NRC Correspondence (5 min)

CAPT Davis-Urgo

-Outgoing: Request that NRSC SOP be removed from MML in order to allow updates without requesting MML change from NRC

Update of IBIS systems plan for labeling sources per specifically licensed requirements

Request for generally licensed registration of depleted uranium for shielding of linear accelerators (NSWC, Indian Head)

Responses to Notices of Violation for MML Inspection and SPAWAR Inspection

-Incoming: Response to Navy Response to MML Biennial Inspection and SPAWAR Inspection

Performance Metrics (10 min)

- NMCPHC
- RASO

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RASP Issues (15 min)

CAPT Benevides

- Ongoing Fukushima Issues
- Ongoing RASP Improvements Update
- RAD-10 Update

NRC remarks (10 min)

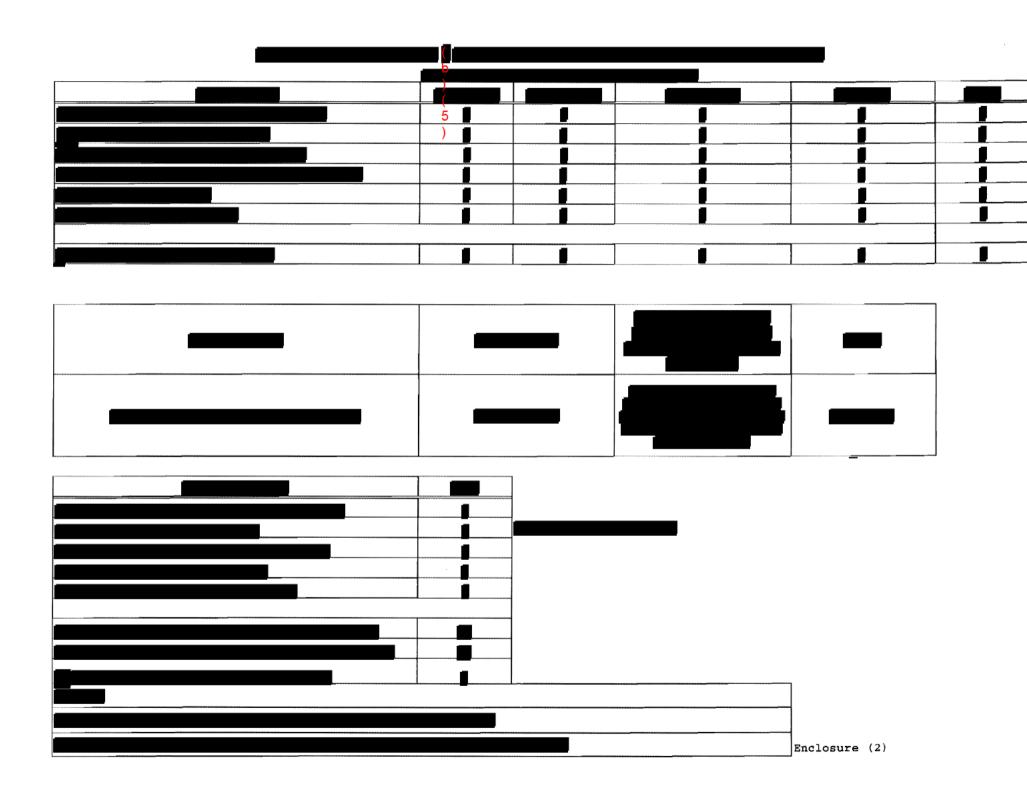
- Update on any new NRC regulations/guides



Closing remarks (5 min)

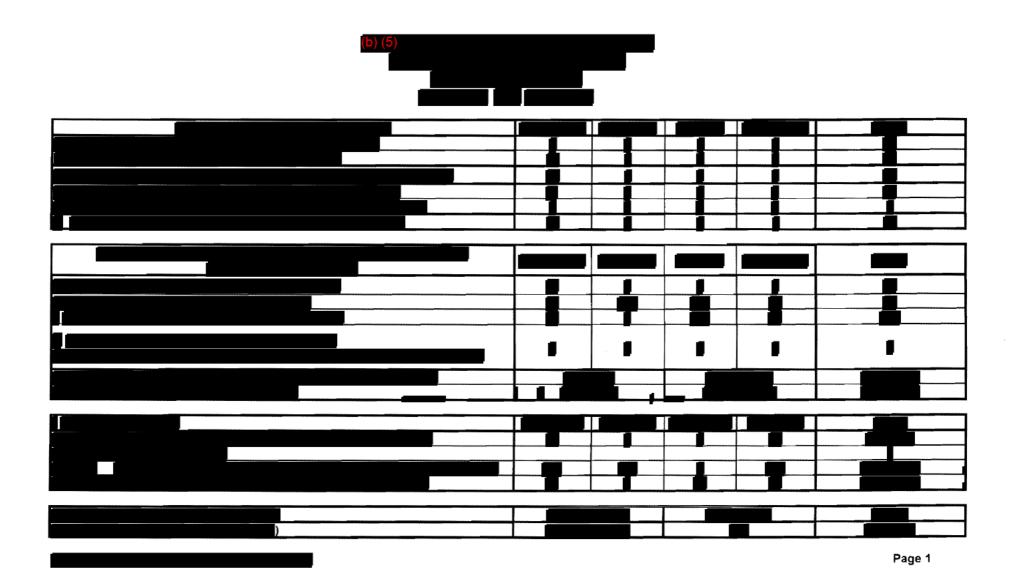
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